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SUBJ: ROK FOREIGN POLICY INITIATIVES: UN ISSUES

1. MICHAEL POWLES, NEW ZEALAND EMBOFF, CALLED ON RANARD JULY 24 TO OBTAIN BRIEFING ON STATE OF PLAY CONCERNING ROK JUNE 23 INITIATIVES, INCLUDING SECRETARY'S VISIT. RANARD DREW PRINCIPALLY ON SECRETARY'S CONVERSATIONS WITH FOREIGN MINISTER KIM YONG SIK REGARDING TERMINATION OF UNCURK, MAINTENANCE OF UNC, AND DUAL ADMISSION OF NORTH AND SOUTH TO UN.

2. IN SUMMARIZING NEW ZEALAND POSITION ON KOREAN ISSUES, POWLES STATED THAT, WHILE KIRK GOVERNMENT DID NOT EXPECT TO BE AS DIRECTLY INVOLVED IN KOREAN QUESTION AS PREVIOUS GOVERNMENTS, IT NEVERTHELESS DID NOT CONTEMPLATE ANY BASIC CHANGES IN POLICY. NEW ZEALAND WOULD LIKE TO SEE MORE FLEXIBILITY ON THE PART OF NORTH KOREA, WHICH POWLES WENT ON TO INTERPRETE AS ACCEPTANCE OF PARK'S JUNE 23 PROPOSALS. NEW ZEALAND WAS PARTICULARLY ATTRACTED BY THE
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POSSIBILITIES OF DUAL ADMISSION. FINALLY, POWLES BELIEVED

IT IMPLICIT THAT NEW ZEALAND DID NOT WANT TO SEE US FORCES
WITHDRAWN FROM KOREAN PENINSULA. HE HOPED THAT WHATEVER
CONCESSIONS WERE NECESSARY TO RESOLVE KOREAN QUESTION
WOULD NOT REQUIRE THIS CONDITION. RANARD ASSURED POWLES OF
SIGNIFICANCE WE ATTACH TO CONTINUED PRESENCE ON KOREAN
PENINSULA OF US FORCES. ROGERS

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